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For: DATA RECORDING SYSTEM AND RECORDING
OBJECTIVE DETERMINATION DEVICE

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington, D.C. 20231

Sir:

Prior to or concurrent with calculation of the filing fees for the application and prior to examination on the merits, please enter this amendment.

IN THE CLAIMS:

Applicants have attached to this Amendment documents entitled "Amended Claims" and "Marked-up' Copy of the Previous Claims". Please replace present claims 5 and 9 in this application with amended claims 5 and 9 shown in the document entitled "Amended Claims".

REMARKS

Entry and consideration of this Preliminary Amendment is solicited to correct claims 5 and 9. Applicant advises that these claims require correction of errors arising during typing of the application translated from Japanese to English.

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Examination on the merits is awaited.

Respectfully submitted,

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Amended Claims

5. The recording objective determination device according to claim 2, wherein
a mode is provided in which said user can optionally select a recording device for
recording the data; and
said recording objective determination device further comprising selection receipt means
of accepting a selection of the user as to which mode is to be selected, a mode in which said
recording objective determination means selects a recording device and a mode in which the user
optionally selects a recording device.

9. The recording objective determination device according to any one of claims 2 to 6,
wherein at least one of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device using a
removable recording medium of recording the data in a removable recording medium mounted
on the device, and at least another recording device of said plurality of recording devices is a
recording device using a fixed type recording medium recording the data in a fixed type
recording medium; and
said recording objective determination device further comprising control means of
controlling the data such that when said recording device for recording data, determined by said
recording objective determination means is said recording device using a removable recording
medium, and (1) no recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable
recording medium, or (2) a remaining recording capacity of the mounted removable recording
medium is equal to or smaller than a predetermined capacity, or (3) it is prohibited that data is

newly recorded in said mounted removable recording medium,

the data can be recorded in the fixed type recording medium of said recording device using a fixed type recording medium, and (1) after the removable recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (2) after the removable recording medium having a predetermined amount of remaining recording capacity is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (3) after the removable recording medium permitted to record new data is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, the data recorded in the fixed type recording medium can be recorded in the removable recording medium.

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5. The recording objective determination device according to claim 2, wherein
[said user can select] a mode is provided in which said user can optionally select a
recording device for recording the data; and
said recording objective determination device further comprising selection receipt means
of accepting a selection of the user as to which mode is to be selected, a mode in which said
recording objective determination means selects a recording device and a mode in which the user
optionally selects a recording device.

9. The recording objective determination device according to any one of claims 2 to 6,
wherein at least one of said plurality of recording devices is a recording device using a
removable recording medium of recording the data in a removable recording medium mounted
on the device, and at least another recording device of said plurality of recording devices is a
recording device using a fixed type recording medium recording the data in a fixed type
recording medium; and

said recording objective determination device further comprising control means of
controlling the data such that when said recording device for recording data, determined by said
recording objective determination means is said recording device using a removable recording
medium, and (1) no recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable
recording medium, or (2) a remaining recording capacity of the mounted removable recording
medium is equal to or smaller than a predetermined capacity, or (3) it is prohibited that data is
newly recorded in said mounted removable recording medium,

the data can be recorded in the fixed type recording medium of said recording device using a fixed type recording medium, and (1) after the removable recording medium is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (2) after the removable recording medium having a predetermined amount of remaining recording capacity is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, or (3) after the removable recording medium permitted to record new data is mounted on said recording device using a removable recording medium, the data recorded in the fixed type recording medium can be recorded in the removable recording medium.

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